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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Materiel Division, Office of Special Activities  
25X1A SUBJECT : Vehicle Requirements [redacted]

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1. I am appalled at the tremendous number of vehicles now at [redacted]  
[redacted] I believe the count given me was 167. I must be so despite my general  
agreement with the plan endorsed by [redacted] to provide [redacted] with Air 25X1A  
Force vehicles as required in order to cut down the cost to the Government.  
I am also conscious of the large number of special-purpose vehicles [redacted]  
[redacted]

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2. What really staggers me, I guess, is that [redacted] said  
that he was about to come in with another request (which you may already have)  
for something like 60 more vehicles. No one at [redacted] seems to be ter-  
ribly bothered by this logarithmic increase in local transportation, and when  
I attempted to mention increased maintenance, man hours, etc., the standard  
reply was, "No sweat". Yet we must translate these additional vehicles into  
more sergeants repairing them, more fuel needed to run them, more messing,  
housing, and sanitation for the additional maintenance people, etc., etc.

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3. I wish you would, therefore, wirebrush the whole [redacted] situation at  
[redacted] doing so with a jaundiced eye. During my stay there last week, I  
saw literally no one of any consequence walking to eat, even from the indus-  
trial area. I find it hard to believe that we have that many cripples in our  
personnel group. How about bicycles or Cushman motor skooters, or some-  
thing? Is there a way out of this dilemma?

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